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The Honorable Charles L.A. Terreni Chief Clerk & Administrator Public Service Commission of South Carolina ATTN: Docketing Department 101 Executive Center Drive Columbia, South Carolina 29210

Re: Petition to Establish Docket to Consider Implementing the Requirements of Section 1252 (Smart Metering) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005 Docket No. 2005-386-E

Dear Mr. Terreni:

I enclose herewith for filing the original and ten copies of the Petition to Intervene of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company in this matter. SCE&G further requests that should a hearing be scheduled in this matter that it be allowed adequate time for its testimony and presentation of evidence at that hearing.

Please stamp the extra copy of this Petition and return it with our courier. Should anything further be needed, please do not hesitate to contact me.

With kind regards,

Patricia Banks Morrison

PBM/kms Enclosure

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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 2005-386-E

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IN RE:
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Implementing the Requirements of:
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Section 1252 (Smart Metering)
of the Energy Policy Act of 2005
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PETITION TO INTERVENE

South Carolina Electric & Gas Company ("SCE&G") hereby petitions to intervene in the above-captioned Docket under Public Service Commission Regulation 103-836 and other applicable provisions of the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure. In support of this petition, SCE&G would respectfully show as follows:

- 1. SCE&G is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of South Carolina and is a public utility subject to the regulatory authority of this Commission pursuant to Title 58 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina. The address for SCE&G's headquarters is 1426 Main Street, Columbia, SC 29201.
 - 2. SCE&G's representatives in this proceeding are as follows:

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- 3. On December 12, 2005, the South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") filed with this Commission its "Petition to Establish Docket to Fulfill the State Requirements of the Energy Policy Act of 2005: Section 1252 (Smart Metering) of the Energy Policy Act of 2005."
- 4. Thereafter this Commission established Docket Number 2005-386-E, styled as referenced hereinabove.
- 5. SCE&G is a fully integrated electric and gas utility that generates, transports and delivers electricity and gas throughout the State of South Carolina. SCE&G has a substantial and material interest in the stated subject matter of the requested proceeding, in that the stated subject matter of ORS's Petition is directly related to SCE&G's electric operations. Therefore, pursuant to Commission Regulation 103-836(a)(3), SCE&G should be allowed to intervene and participate fully in this Docket and any hearing later scheduled in this matter.
- 6. SCE&G has not developed a position in this matter, but reserves the right to modify, amend or expand its position during the course of this proceeding.

WHEREFORE, SCE&G requests that this Commission issue an Order:

- (a) Granting SCE&G's request to be allowed to intervene in this matter and participate fully in the Docket and any hearing to be scheduled in this matter;
- (b) Granting SCE&G all rights attendant to intervenor status;
- (c) That SCE&G be provided copies of all filings, pleadings, testimony, and exhibits in this proceeding; and
- (d) That such other and further relief be granted as is deemed just and proper.

Respectfully submitted this 2/5 day of February, 2006.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE VIA MAIL

I hereby certify that on February 2/24, 2006, a copy of South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's PETITION TO INTERVENE was served on the parties listed below at the addresses indicated by depositing a true copy thereof in the United States Mail at Columbia, South Carolina, in an envelope with adequate first-class postage duly affixed and a return address clearly indicated thereon and addressed to:

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